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Dedication

In keeping with the theme of this yearbook, the dedication is significantly made to the Very Reverend Angelo M. Allegrini, O.S.A., Commissary Emeritus and the present Prior and Pastor of St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church in Philadelphia, Pa. The idea and establishment of Saint Augustine Preparatory School was conceived and brought to realization by Father Allegrini in 1959.

In preparation, as it were, for this venture in the life of the Prep, Father Allegrini was born in the parish of Old St. Augustine's in Philadelphia. For this church marks the first foundation of the Augustinian Order in the young America of the 1790's. In the very shadows of the belfrey that once housed the sister-bell of the Liberty Bell, Father Allegrini attended St. Augustine's parochial school. With the gentle guidance of his parish priest, he entered upon his studies for the priesthood at the Augustinian Academy in Staten Island, N.Y. in September 1934. His Bachelor of Arts degree was obtained from Manhattan College, New York City. He pursued his theological studies at St. Francis Major Seminary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood in the Augustinian Order on June 7, 1947.

Within four months from his ordination, Fr. Allegrini was appointed pastor of St. Mary's Church in East Vineland, N.J. Recognizing his sterling character and abilities, in 1955, the Order appointed him as Consultor to the Commissary Provincial. After Father's ten years of a fruitful pastorate in East Vineland, the Prior General of the Order promoted Fr. Allegrini to the position of Commissary Provincial of the Vice Province of Our Mother of Good Counsel in April of 1958.

It was only a matter of a few months after his selection as major superior that Father Allegrini inspired the Augustinians to undertake the establishment of this school on the former Red Oaks Estate of Colonel Woods in Richland, N.J. In 1960, under his expert guidance and direction the present school building was constructed.

In behalf of the students, particularly the first graduating class of 1963, their parents and the faculty, we are grateful to God and to our founding Father. We indeed consider ourselves privileged to have dedicated the yearbook so meaningfully to the Very Reverend Angelo M. Allegrini, O.S.A.



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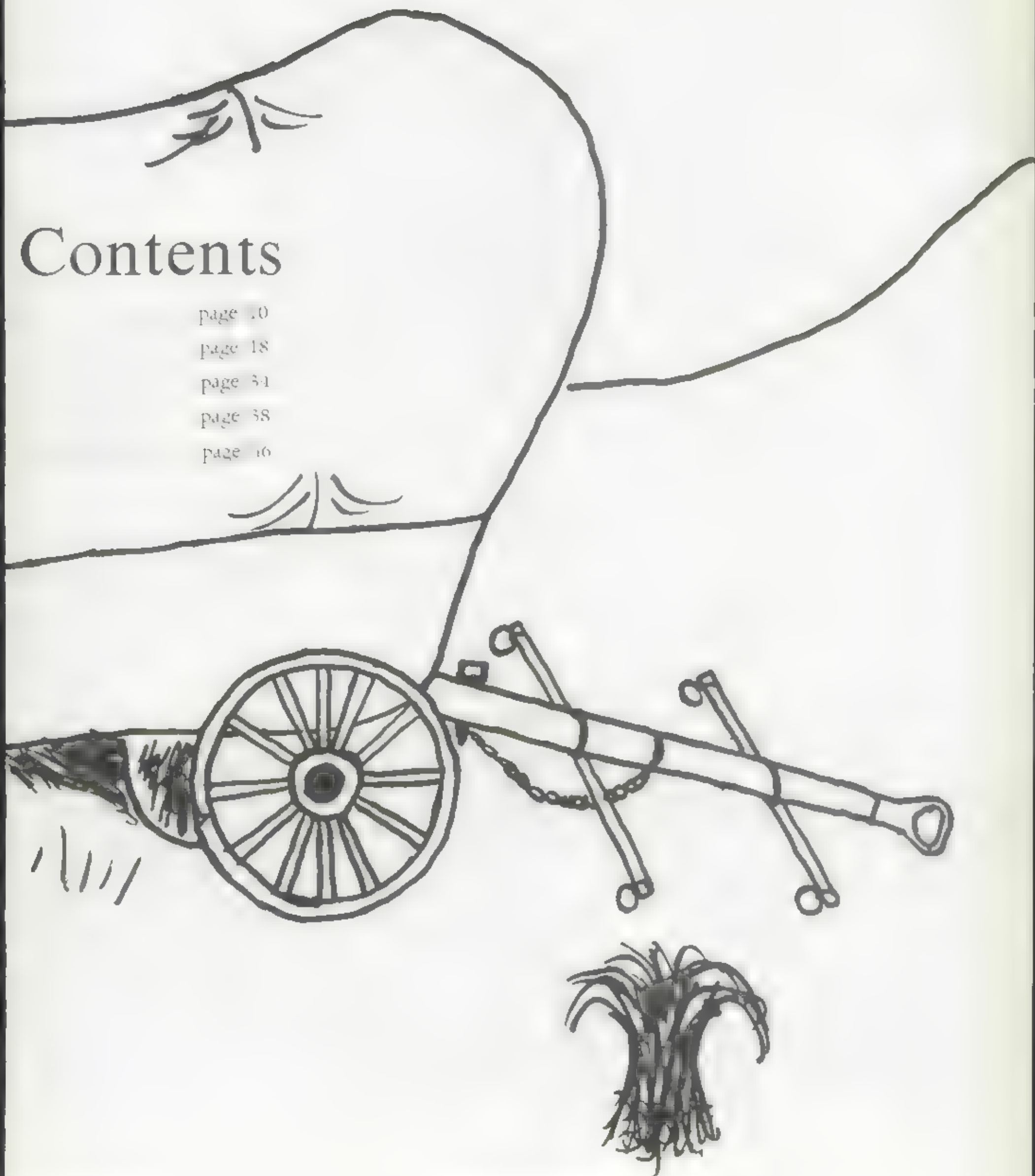
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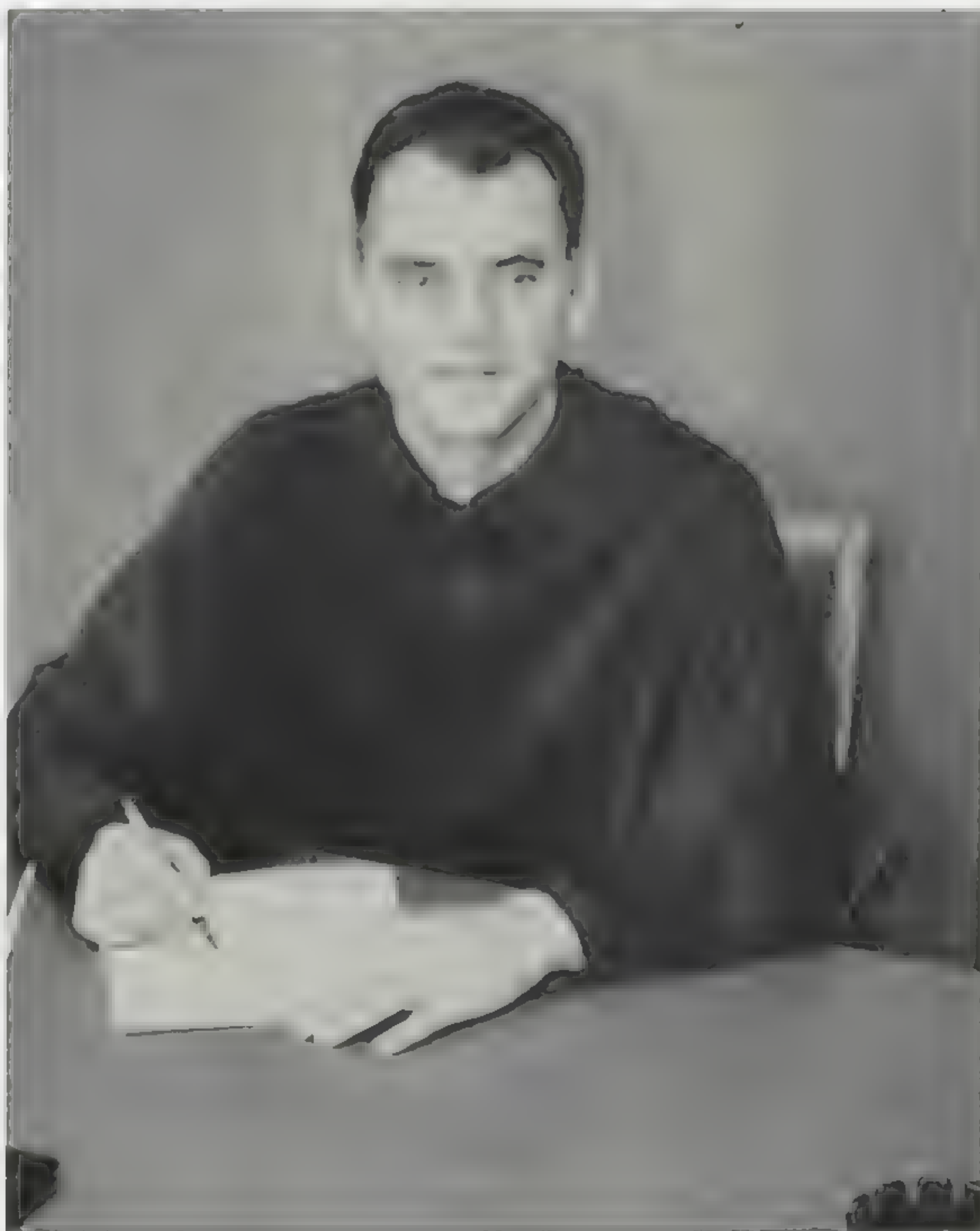
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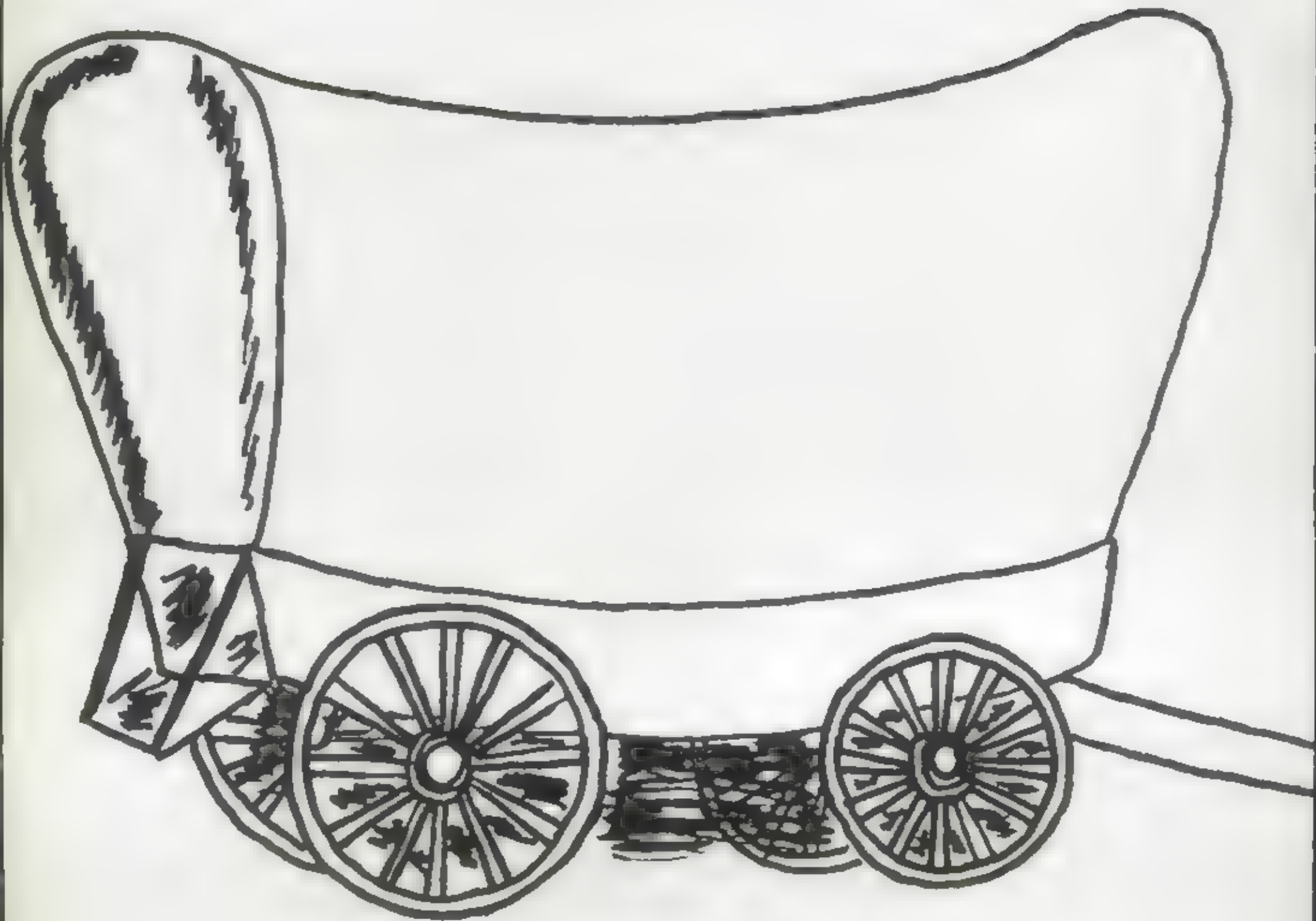


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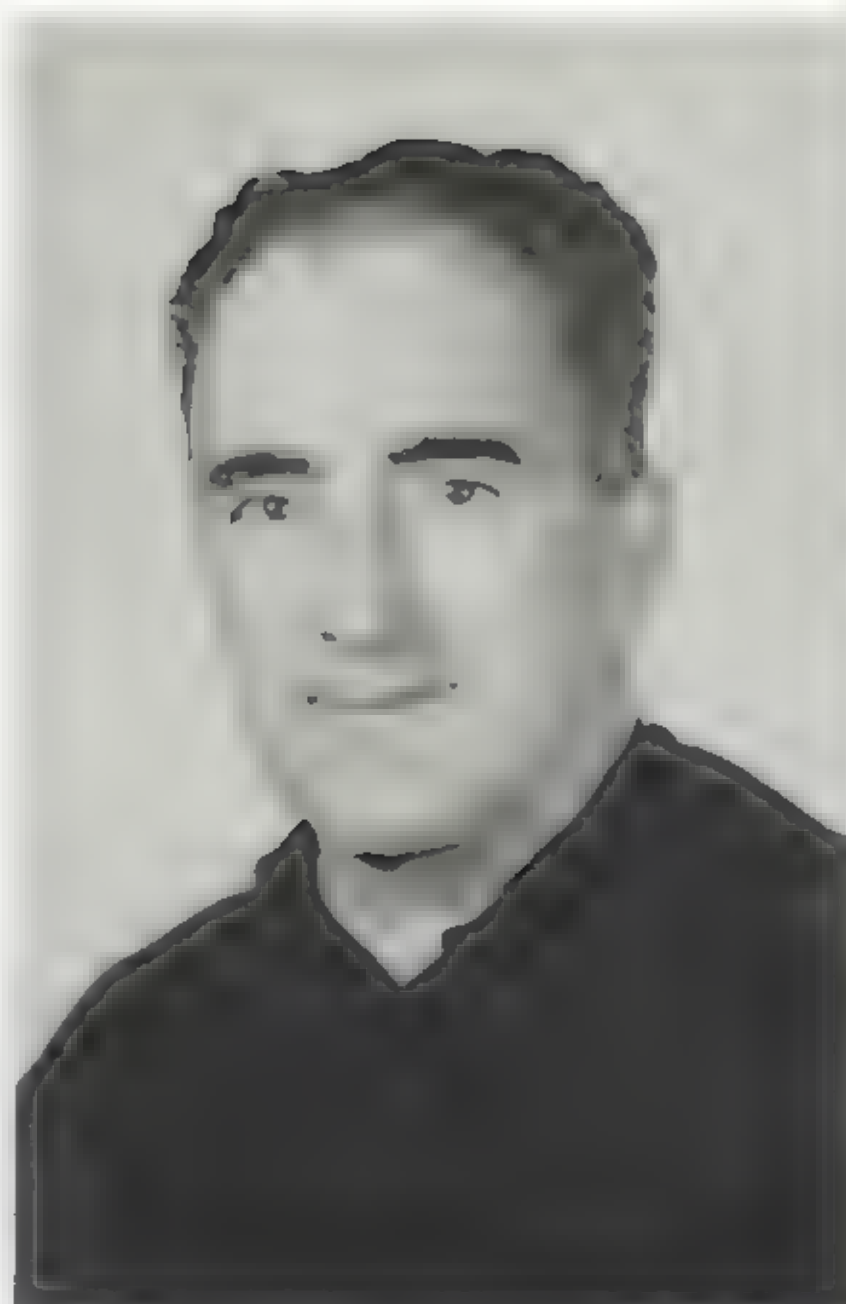
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Glassboro State Teachers College



MARIE DALESANDRO
Secretary



Original School
Building
Former "Colonel Woods
Estate"
Opened
September 7, 1959

Dedication
and
Blessing of
Cornerstone
of
New School
October 16
1960



The year 1963 marks a new beginning for St. Augustine Preparatory School. With the graduation of its first Senior Class is shown the transition from a one room school to a large institution of learning it was designed to be.

St. Augustine Preparatory is the realization of one man's long-fostered dream. It is to this man—Father Angelo Allegrini—that this yearbook is dedicated, for without his foresight and perseverance this school would not have been possible.

St. Augustine Preparatory School opened its doors in September, 1959, with a freshman class of 28 students. Classes were held in the renovated building of the former Colonel Woods Estate, which now serves as the faculty residence and minor seminary. It was a humble beginning, filled with the hardships and inconveniences of a true pioneer life. Even the elements seemed determined to discourage the spirit of St. Augustine's. Whenever it rained, the unpaved driveways became a sea of mud and the sparse lawn took on the appearance of a rice paddy. Since there were no gymnasium facilities, a nearby gravel pit served as a baseball field, and basketball was played against a flimsy outdoor backboard. The boys played football in a weed-choked field **the site of the present St. Augustine Preparatory School.**

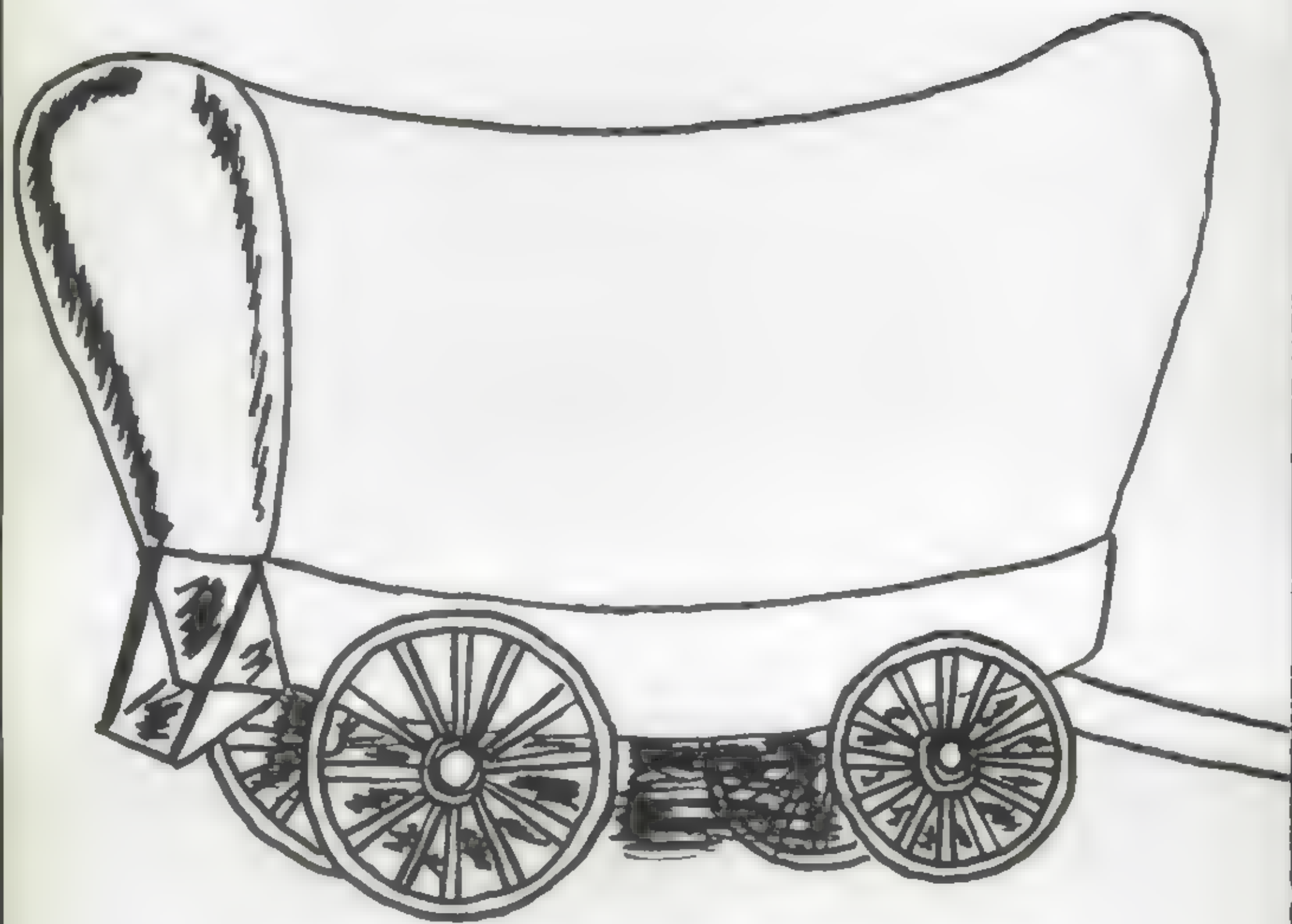
Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new school building took place on January 31, 1960, and the work proceeded smoothly with all possible haste in preparation for the coming school year. The Dedication of the school took place on October 16, 1960.

Father Allegrini's wishes had finally been fulfilled. As the modern school building had grown, so had the interests of all those concerned with St. Augustine's. The faculty, students, and parents rallied their support to the undertaking of the new tasks. Students sacrificed their recreational activities to set paving stones around the driveways. Funds were raised to provide a durable surface for the roads.

New activities began in the school—the Mendel Honor Society, Student Government, Forensic League, and the school newspaper—all these have become an integral part of student life. The spirit of the school grew and it **became recognized as a capable preparatory institution.**

St. Augustine Preparatory School was a monumental undertaking. There were many challenges to be overcome, and there will certainly be more. Yet, with the hopes and intentions of the school carried out in the graduation of its first Senior Class, the reasons for its success became apparent. St. Augustine Preparatory School is an institution of learning designed to give young men a broad cultural education, to train their minds, develop character, and, above all, to form a Christian gentleman who is capable of fulfilling and carrying out the tasks for which he was created.

the Seniors





JOHN ARNONT
New York, N.Y

John, the only seminarian in the Senior Class, hails from the 'big city' . . . He has what it takes to become a dedicated Augustinian and we feel sure he will go a long way . . . Serious and astute, John takes a keen interest in his studies and always makes above average grades . . . His favorite teacher is Mr. Aleli and he especially enjoyed studying chemistry . . . Although quiet and reticent, John is pleasant, well liked, and easy to get along with . He is usually seen with Frank, Jerry, and Lou . . . We're proud of him

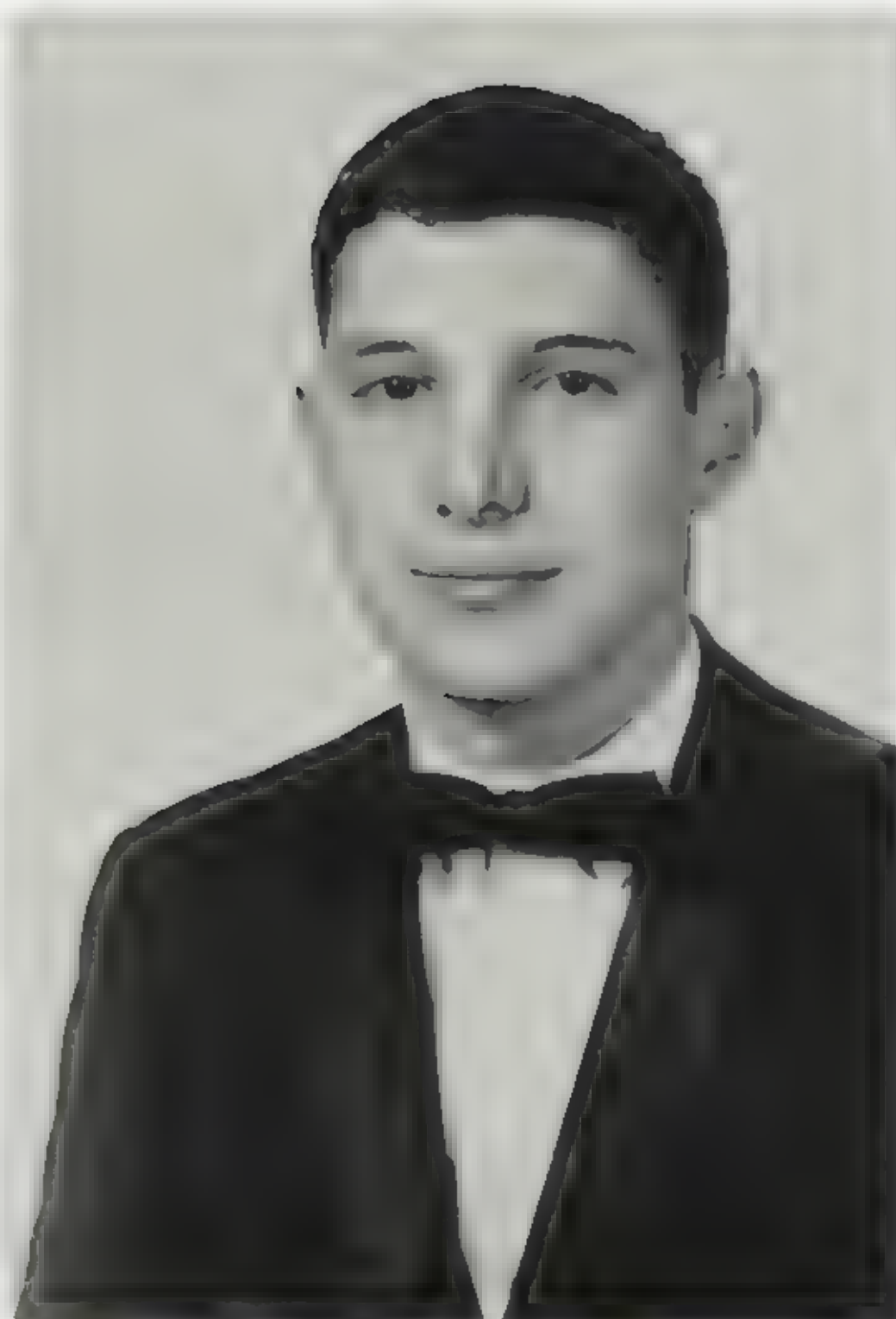
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Science Club, Treasurer—2, 3

French Club—2, 3, 4

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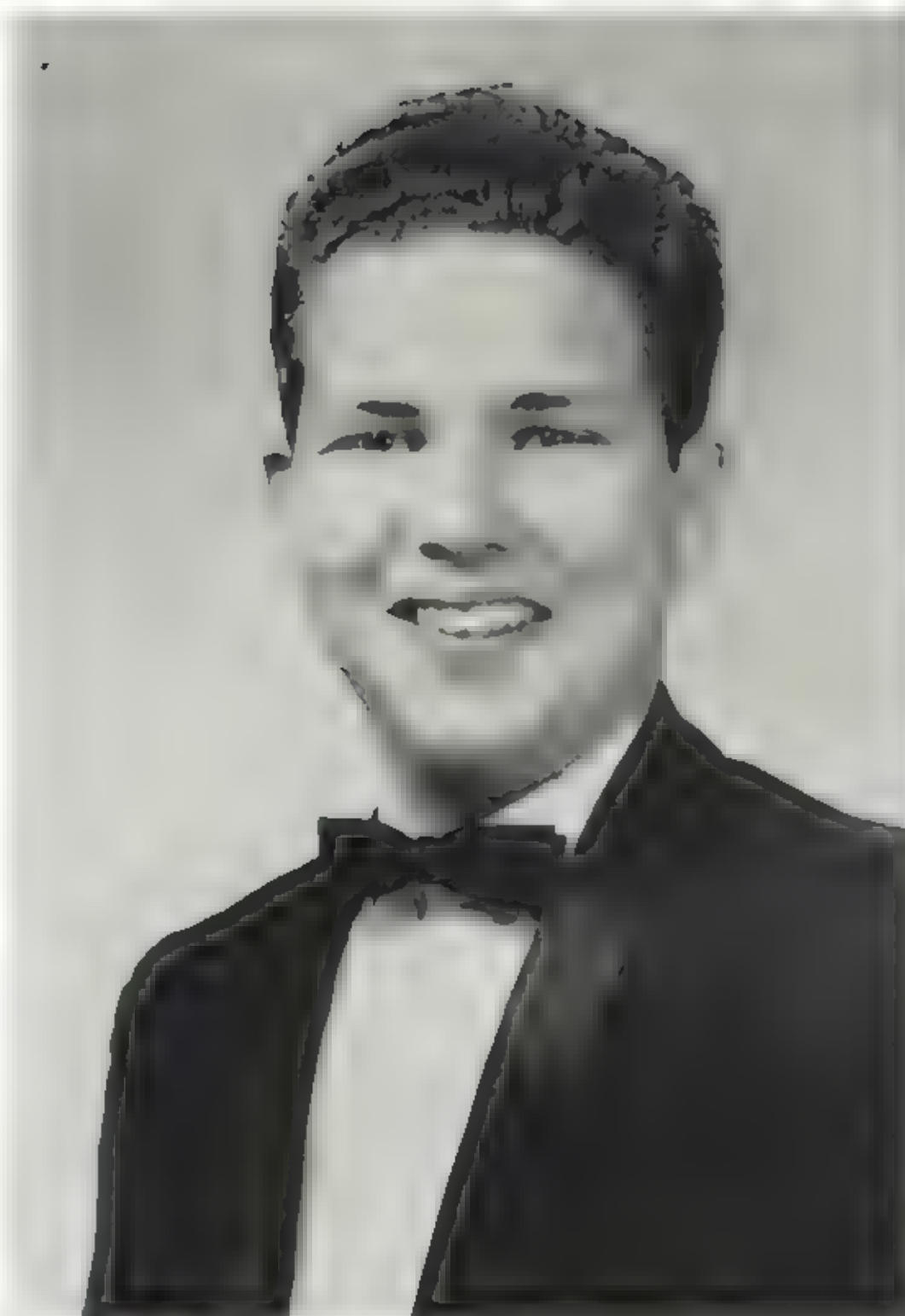
Bowling League—3, 4



GERALD B. COLUCCI
New Street, Malaga

"The mouse" came to St. Augustine Prep in his sophomore year and at once became one of the best loved of the student body. Says his favorite memory is the "Intramural" Retreat held in the library . . . Always seen in the protection of Ron, Al, and George. Bound to fulfill his ambition of becoming a millionaire. St. II claims that his model B can take any Corvette when it's out of the shop . . . "All right, you guys" Claims History and Fr. Bonnici as his favorites.

Science Club—2, 3—Secretary
Library—2, 3
Yearbook—4—Activities Editor
Sanctuary Society—2, 3
Baseball—3
French Club—2, 3, 4
Intramural Football—3, 4
Cheerleader—3



LOUIS FRANCIS CRESCI
Vasar Place, Vineland

Lou is a four-year patron of the prep from "the city" . . . His favorite class is Father Joe's English class . . . Lou has fond memories of his freshman year . . . Frequently heard saying "You big elephant" . . . Looks forward to becoming a business executive

Happy-go-lucky . . . Befriended by all, especially by Frank, Gerry, George, and Al

French Club—2, 3, 4

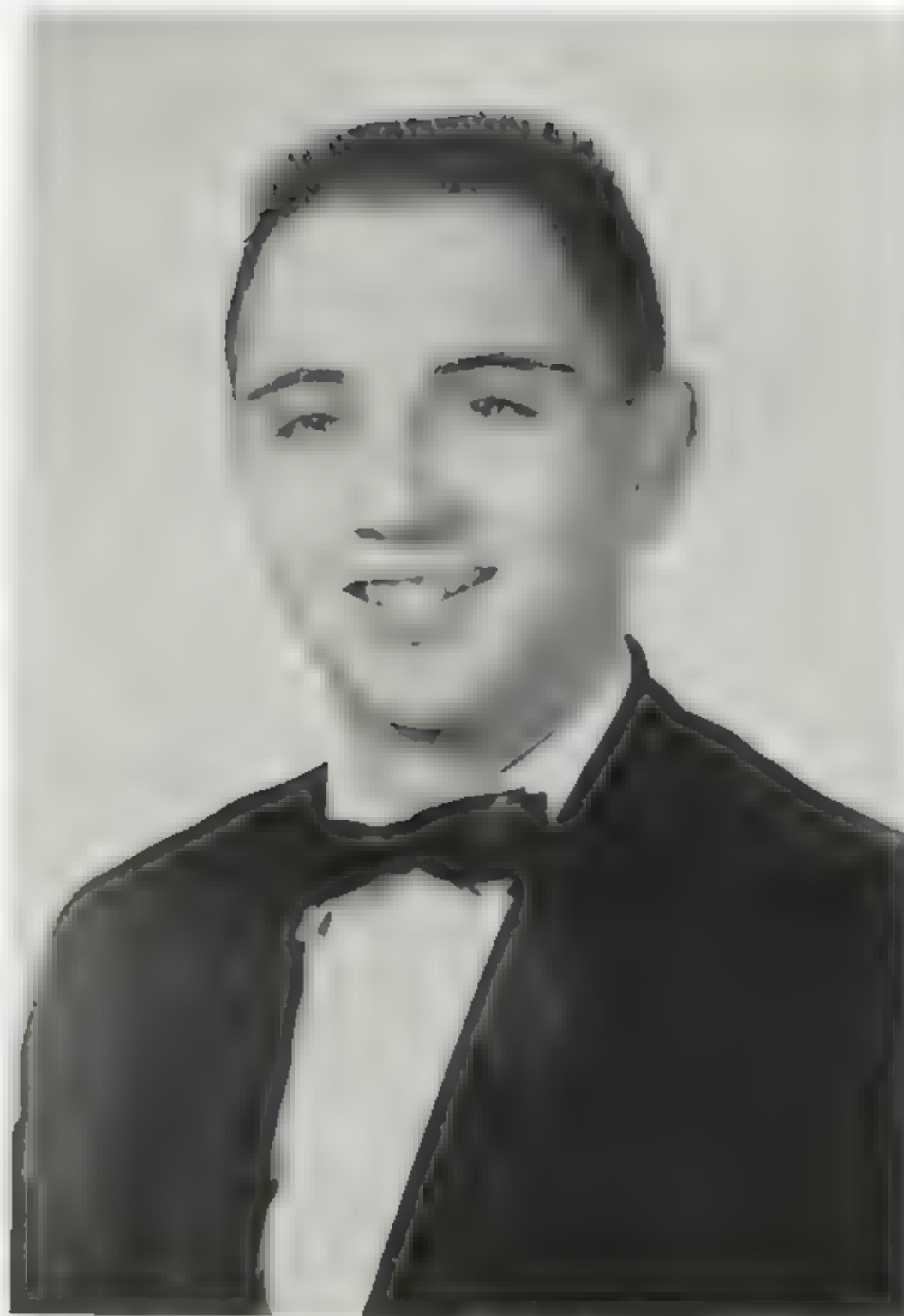
Yearbook—4

Bowling—4

Golf—4

Intramural Football—4

Intramural Basketball—4



DONATO ANTHONY DE NOVELLIS

Brewster Road, Vineland

Danny is an ambitious senior who hails from Vineland . . . He is particularly interested in physics and plans to become a nuclear physicist . . . He possesses a general good humor and an exuberant personality . . .

He has proved time and again his diligence not only in his school work but also in the many activities in which he has participated . . . Usually seen with Larry, Don, and Ron

Danny has the stuff which makes great men and should see a prolific future

Mendel Honor Society—2, 3, 4—Vice-President

Student Council—2, 4—Vice-President

National Honor Society—3, 4—Vice-President

Prep News—3, 4—News Editor

Intramural Football—3, 4

Intramural Basketball—4



VINCENT GIACALONE
Maple Avenue, Vineland

Probably the greatest of Vince's many assets is his thorough knowledge of auto mechanics . . . Almost all the Senior Class have had the thrill of riding in his hot '56 Chevy . . . Everyone respects his sound advice on car care . . . Vince is a talented Math student whose favorite teacher is Frater Spina . . . He plans to attend college after graduation . . . Among his friends are Al, George, and Rich

French Club — 2, 3, 4

Intramural Sports—3, 4

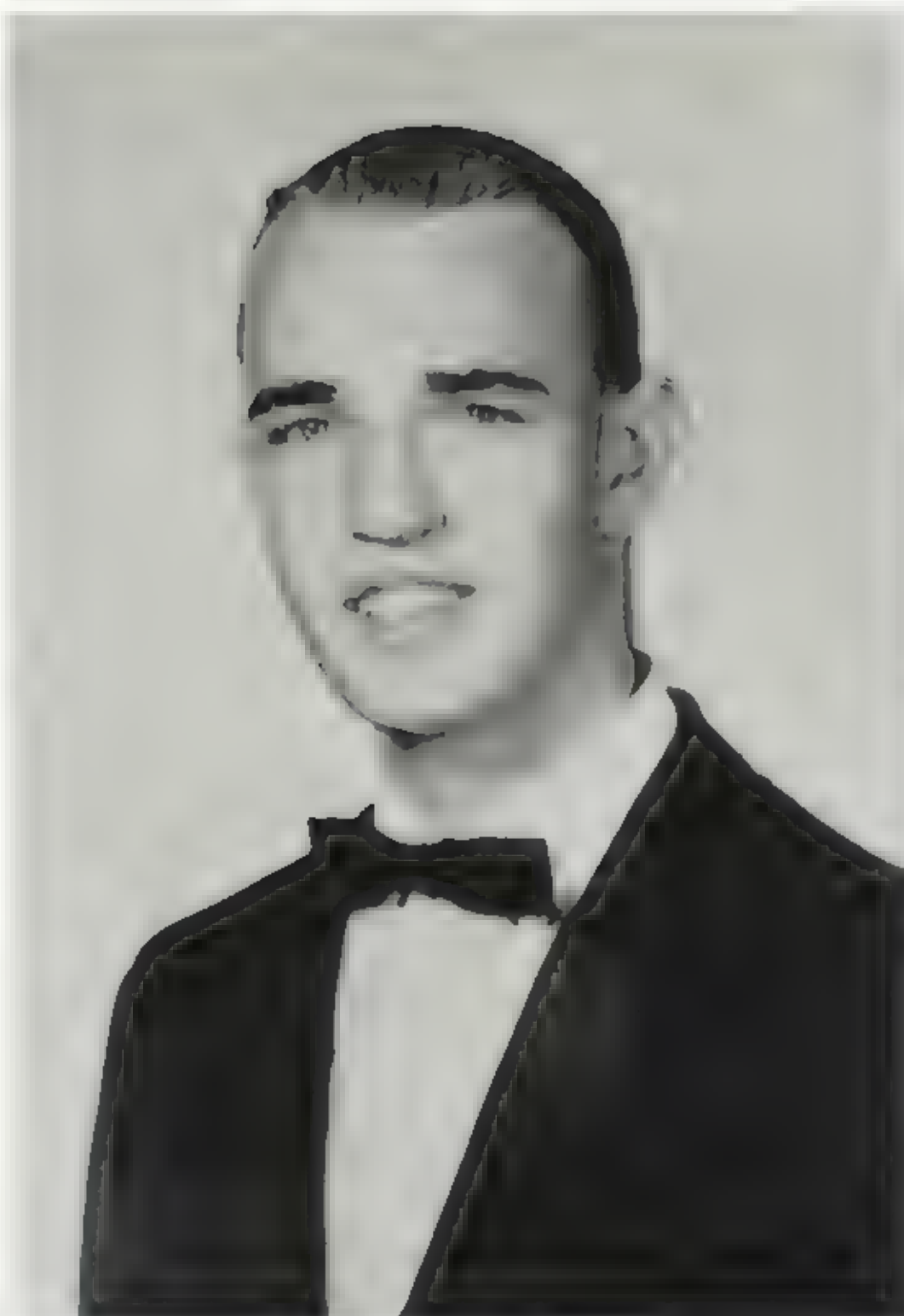
Baseball Team — 2



FRANCIS N. GIORDANO
South West Avenue, Vineland

Frank is well-liked by all his schoolmates and is best known for his linguistic talents . . . He can usually be seen with Lou, Al, and Jerry . . . His ardent desire is to become a proficient school teacher and this is sure to come about for he follows through on every task that he undertakes . . . He claims French as his favorite subject and Fr. Joseph Gattinella as his favorite teacher . Frank is in constant demand as a "French Translator" by his classmates

French Club—2, 3, 4—President
Member of Student Council—4
Newspaper Staff—3, 4—Typist
Secretary of Class—3
Yearbook Staff—4—Secretary
Sanctuary Society—4



DONALD M. HEALY
Hazel Avenue, Newfield

Don is probably the best athlete the Senior Class can boast. As starting forward on the basketball team he has continually led the Hermits in the scoring division . . . On the baseball diamond, Don ranks as the No. 1 pitcher on the squad. Academically he ranks at the top of the class and he is a model of an assiduous student . . . A winning personality accounts for Don's popularity and he can usually be seen with Danny, Larry, and Frank . . . Don has been President of the class for four years and he is President of the Student Council as well . . . He plans to enter college and major in Mechanical Engineering.

Class President—1, 2, 3, 4
Student Council President—3, 4
Mendel Society—2, 3, 4—President 2, 3
French Club—2, 3, 4—Vice-President 2
Newspaper Staff—3, 4—Sports Editor
Yearbook Staff—4
Baseball—2, 3, 4
Basketball—2, 3, 4
Intramural Football—4



RONALD LOTTI
Melrose St., Vineland, N.J.

Ron," Vice-President of the Senior Class, is a good leader and organizer . . . He has done an excellent job as Editor-in-Chief of the yearbook . . . Self-sacrificing and easy going, he is well regarded by all . . . His best friends are Ronnie, Jim, Don, Danny, Vince, and Larry . . . His favorite teacher is Frater Spina. Although he is a good student, Ron states that he prefers study periods to classes . . . He plans to enter college and study to become a physical therapist . . . We wish him luck.

French Club—2, 3, 4—Treasurer 2, 3

Mendel Honor Society—2, 3, 4

Student Council—4

Vice-President of Senior Class—3, 4

Editor-in-Chief of Yearbook—4

Forensic League—2

Library Staff—3, 4

Basketball Team—2

Intramural Football—2, 3, 4



ALBERT MARCACCI
Fairmont Ave., Vineland

"Al" the pipe-smoking senior is a well-known and a well-liked figure on the campus . . . His ability to put people at ease accounts for his popularity . . . Easy going and affable, he has made many friends at the Prep and is usually seen with Jerry, Ron and George

Albert is especially interested in English and expects to enter some field of business . . . A 1930 Model A Ford is his natural habitat and he chauffeurs the guys with pride

Newspaper—3, 4

Yearbook—4—Classes Editor

Library—2

Pep Committee—3, 4

Cheerleader—3, 4

Dance Decoration Committee—2, 3, 4

Intramural Basketball—3, 4

Intramural Football—4



THOMAS FRANCIS McNAMEE III
Dawes Avenue, Somers Point

Public speaking comes as natural to Tom as does breathing. His contributions to the Forensic League has been unsurpassed. Confident and witty on his feet Tom won the Diocesan Extempore Speaking Trophy . . . He has the stuff and knows how to put it across . . . Tom hopes to become President and at his rate he'll probably make it . . . His circle of friends include Don, Rich, George, and Jerry and he is known as a great guy . . . Tom claimed National Problems to be his most enjoyable class and cited Fr DeMarco as his favorite teacher.

Library Staff—3, 4

Forensic League—2, 3, 4—President 3, 4

Mendel Society—2, 3—Officer 3

French Club—2, 3, 4

Yearbook—4—Business Manager

Prep News—3, 4

Baseball—2

Basketball—2, 3

Intramural Football—2, 3, 4

Intramural Basketball—4



LAWRENCE NERI
Valley Avenue, Vineland

Larry is one of the gayest men on campus . . . Always seen with his close friends Danny, Ronny, and Don . . . Boasts quite a jump shot . . . Claims his favorite subject was math and lists his favorite teacher as Frater Anthony Spina . . . Smart boy, good athlete
In the future Larry sees a career in Mechanical Engineering
Best of Luck, Larry

National Honor Society—President 3, 4

Secretary-Treasurer of Senior Class

Mendel Honor Society—2, 3, 4

Prep News—3, 4—Editor and Chief

French Club—2, 3, 4

Student Council—3

Basketball—2, 3, 4

Intramural Football—3, 4



JAMES SMARTLEY
Holly Hills Drive, Somers Point

The "Rodent" is one of the wildest men on campus . . . He is usually with Ron Al, and Ron, and George . . . Great at dancing especially the "limbo" . . . "Rodent" states his favorite classes as first and eighth periods Smart kid with lots of pep Visualizes the service and marriage in his future plans . . . We wish him all the luck in the world

French Club—2, 3, 4
Cheerleader—3, 4
Sanctuary Society—1, 2, 3, 4
Science Club—2, 3—Vice-President
Newspaper Staff—3, 4—Art
Yearbook Staff—4—Art Editor
Dance Decoration Committee—2, 3, 4
School Spirit Committee—4
Intramural Basketball—2, 3, 4
Intramural Football—2, 3, 4
Intramural Track—3
Library—3, 4—Superintendent



RICHARD THOMAS SWEENEY
South Swarthmore Avenue, Ventnor

Rich is a recent addition to the Senior Class but he has been active during his one year stay . . . Mr. Nice Guy has a good word for everybody . . . Rich can usually be seen with Tom and Vince

He likes to eat and is fond of the cooks . . . Rich plans to enter college and hopes to become a writer . . . Good luck!

Yearbook Staff—4—Sports Editor

French Club—4

Came here from Mother of Savior Seminary
after his junior year

Intramural Football—4

Intramural Basketball — 4



JERRY B TRONNEM
Brewster Road, Vineland

Jerry is one of the best liked fellows at the Prep . . . Biggest man in the class . . . Always seen combing his hair in the midst of Jim, Lou, Frank, and Tom . . . His favorite expression is "Hey knock it off, Cresci" . . . Jerry's favorite class is history and claims Fr. Joe Gattinella is his favorite teacher . . . Biology and Writing are career preferences . . . Bound to be a success judging from the way he put in the curbstones

Mendel Honor Society 2, 3, 4

French Club—2, 3

Mendel Honor Society 4—President

Yearbook Staff—4



GEORGE FRANCIS WALSH IV
Prospect Street, Vineland

George is a guy who is always in the middle of things . . . Usually seen with Gerald, Ron, and Al . . . Calls English his favorite class and Father George DeMarco as his favorite teacher . . . A player on the baseball team, he fondly remembers the victory over Wildwood Catholic . . . The future holds college and a career in creative writing for this popular fellow . . . We wish him the best of luck

French Club—2, 3

Science Club—2

Yearbook Staff—4

Dance Committee—2, 3, 4

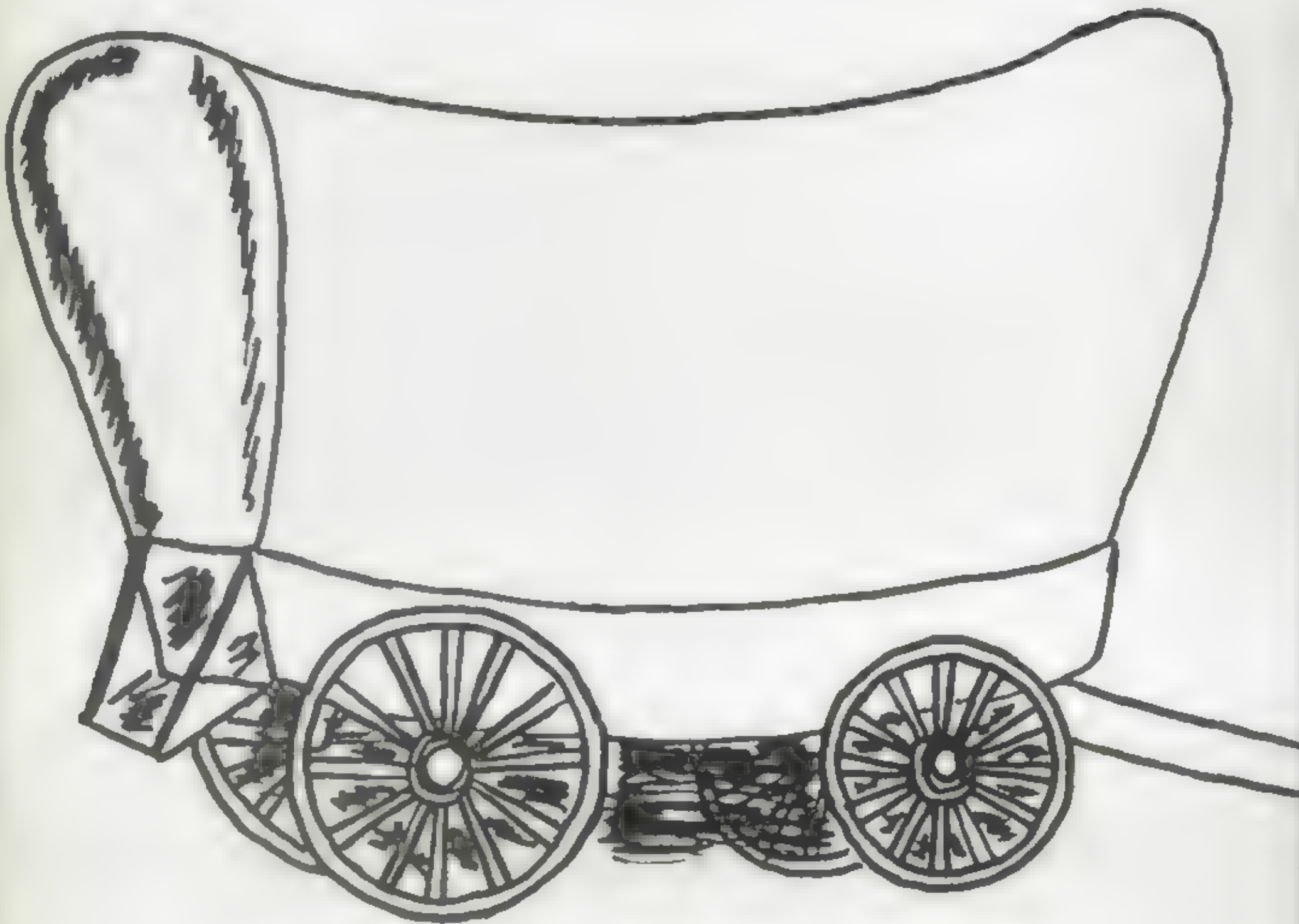
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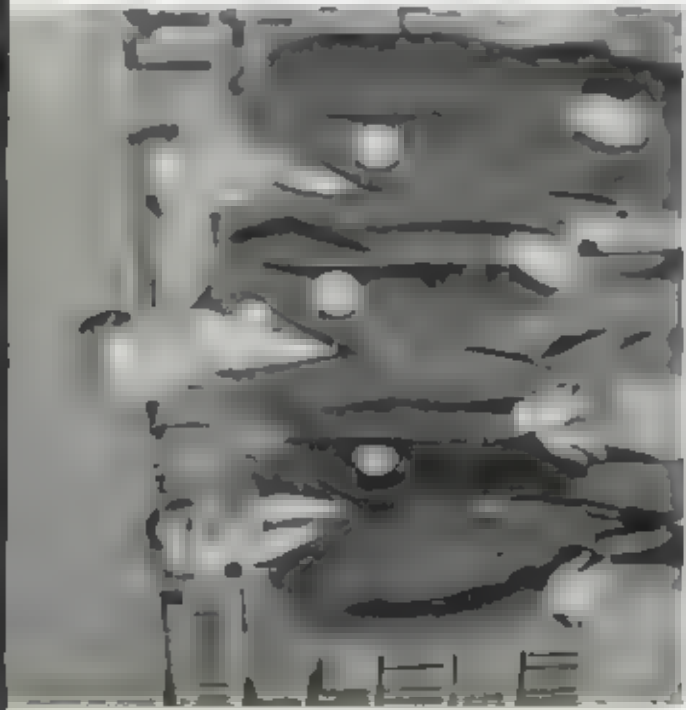
Baseball Team—2, 3, 4

Intramural Football—3

Intramural Basketball—4

the Undergraduates





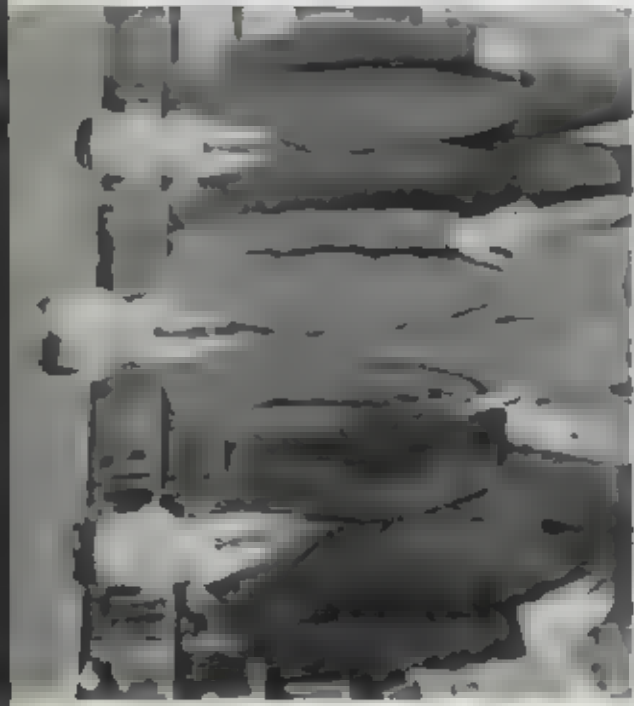
The Class of 1964

CLASS OFFICERS J. Bernhardt, B. Cranston, R. Timman

THE CLASS (left to right)

Boys
 E. Peterson, E. Kops, E. Kimo, I. Lebesi, E. Oldfield, J. Hilferth, G. Schaefer, I. Ryan, E. Phillips, N. Ventura
Girls
 J. Ling, A. Perino, P. Laugel, R. Gatz, I. Lebesi, R. Kays, C. Lebesi, C. M. Johnson, G. Kray, B. Ventor
Boys
 E. Martin, B. Walsh, B. Gentry, I. Bernhardt, B. Cranston, B. O'Connell, J. McQuade, R. Delgentus, R. Baker





The Class of 1965

CLASS OFFICERS (left to right)—C. Smith, P. Kolojeski, B. Monks

THE CLASS (left to right)

Back row

J. Mayo, J. Murray, D. Maguire, J. Rubb, A. Allegretto, J. Hubbs, J. Caputo, K. Moore, B. Monks, C. Smith, E. Phillips

Front row

R. Gaudier, P. Kolojeski, J. Watson, W. Lasnatta, J. Hirsch, P. Collins, H. D'Harbo, A. de M. McAvally, J. W. Hiett, J. Devine

Back row

P. Watson, P. McCollough, R. Martinich, J. George, R. Neuhoben, W. Vermeil, C. Conner, M. Hodge, J. Lo Biondo, K. McCann, J. Conner



the School Organizations



Student Council



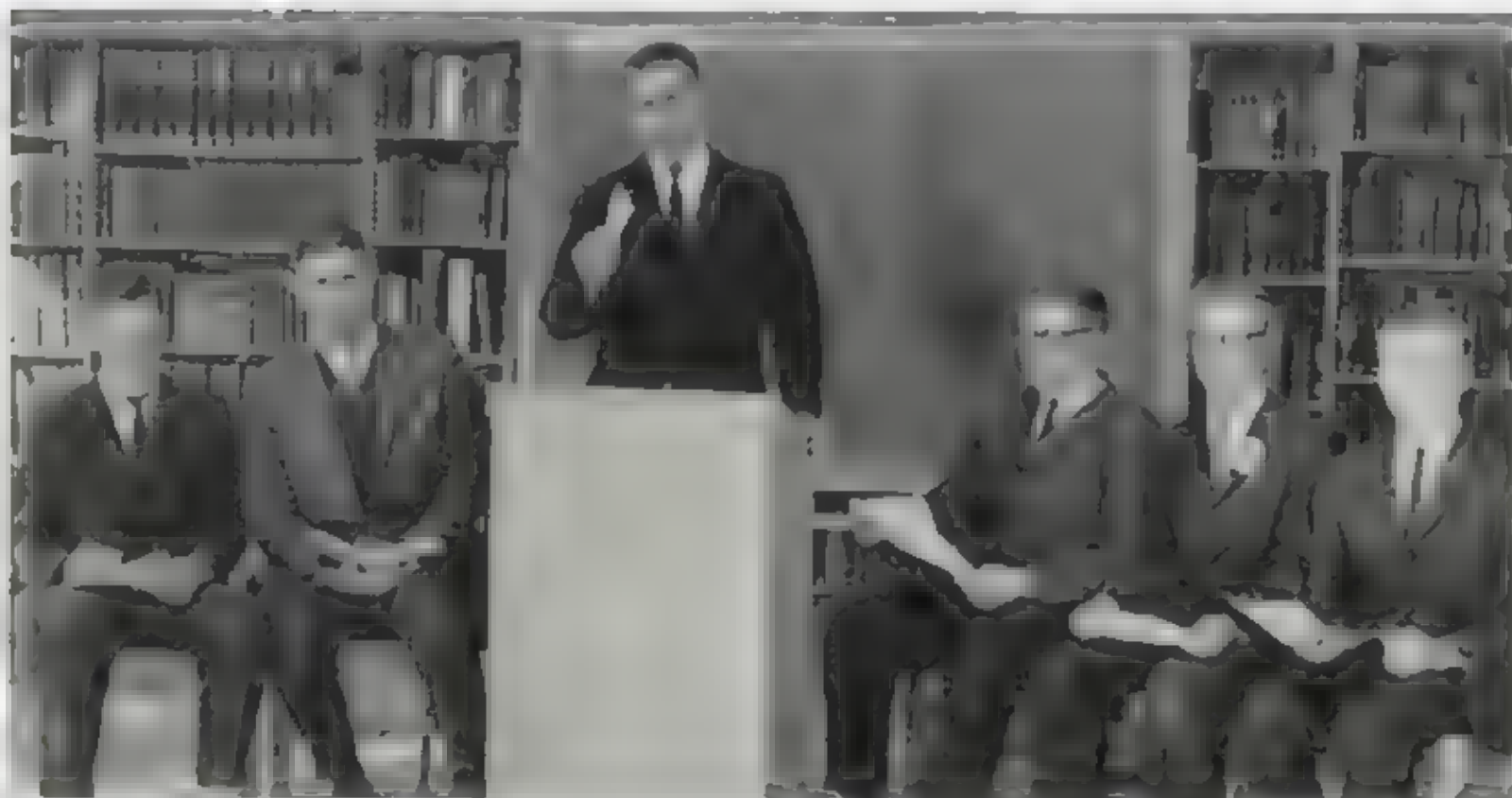
Seated: J. Rubba, C. Middlesworth, J. Bernardini, D. Healy, E. Kolla, B. Cranston, D. De Novel
C. Metz
Standing: P. Cairo, L. Imbesi, R. Lotti, D. Cheli, F. Giordano, B. Monks



OFFICERS

J. Bernardini, *Treasurer*
B. Cranston, *Secretary*
E. Kolla, *Vice-President*
D. Healy, *President*

Forensic League



Members of the Debate Team: C. Middlesworth, R. Gratz, T. McNamee, R. Baker, E. Kolla, J. Collins

As man's body seeks to be satiated with food, so does man's soul, his inner ego, seek to be satiated with a divine truth through the "Spoken Word." In an attempt to cloy man's intellectual hunger, the Forensic Club of Saint Augustine Preparatory School seeks to promote excellence through rhetorical ability by means of oratorical interpretation, discussion, debate, original oratory, and extempore speaking.

The Forensic Club furnishes its members with influence upon the individual and upon the multitude: to charm, to persuade, to command, to endow its members with power unlimited!



T. McNAMEE, winner of the Diocesan Extemporaneous Trophy 1961-62, 1962-63

OFFICERS

President, Thomas McNamee
Vice President, Edward Kolla

Secretary, James McQuade
Moderator, Frater Anthony Spina, O.S.A.

Prep News



EDITORS: R. Baker, F. K. a. D. Hays, L. Neri, Re. Joseph, J. Scana, (Moderator) D. DeNove, S. B. Venturi, C. Muddsworth, R. Walsh



Staff at work

Mendel Honor Society



Seated: D. DeNovellis, E. Perugini, J. Bernardini, J. Tronnem, G. Walsh, C. Middlesworth

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The Mendel Honor Society is a leading organization of St. Augustine Prep. The society was founded by Mr. Louis Aleli, head of the Science Department. The Mendel Society, named after the Augustinian monk, Gregor Mendel, is a student activity designed to afford a better knowledge and understanding of the world of science. To accomplish this, the society is allowed the free use of the school's laboratory.

The Mendel Honor Society looks forward to a greater enrollment and more advanced scientific endeavors as the school expands.

OFFICERS

Robert Walsh, *Vice-President*
Gerry Tronnem, *President*
J. Bernardini, *Secretary-Treas*



OFFICERS R Walsh | Tronem, J Bernardini

The Science Club



Front row: J. Mixon, J. McQuade, G. Chatter, J. McQuade, C. Cammarata, M. Vinnella, E. Olegowski, E. Capriotti, J. Per-
 to, J. Breen, S. Rose, E. Gratz, C. Metz, E. Miller, D. Cici, A. Springer, J. Montanari, R. DeFulgentis.



OFFICERS: R. DeFulgentis, J. McQuade, F. Cammarata

The National Honor Society



Row 1: J. Collins, G. Schraeder, I. Bernar, R. D. Augustine, D. DeNovellis, L. Neri, D. Healy, P. Cairo, E. Devine, I. Hirsch, B. Cranston, C. Januzzi, C. Middlesworth, R. Gratz, J. Emig, R. Baker

The purpose of the National Honor Society is to promote the scholastic adeptness of the students at the Prep. By organizing those students who have shown outstanding leadership and scholastic achievement, the entire school is aided. These boys often help others in their own class and underclassmen. This is the most important organization that exists at the Prep at this time.



OFFICERS: L. Neri, D. DeNovellis, D. Healy

Yearbook

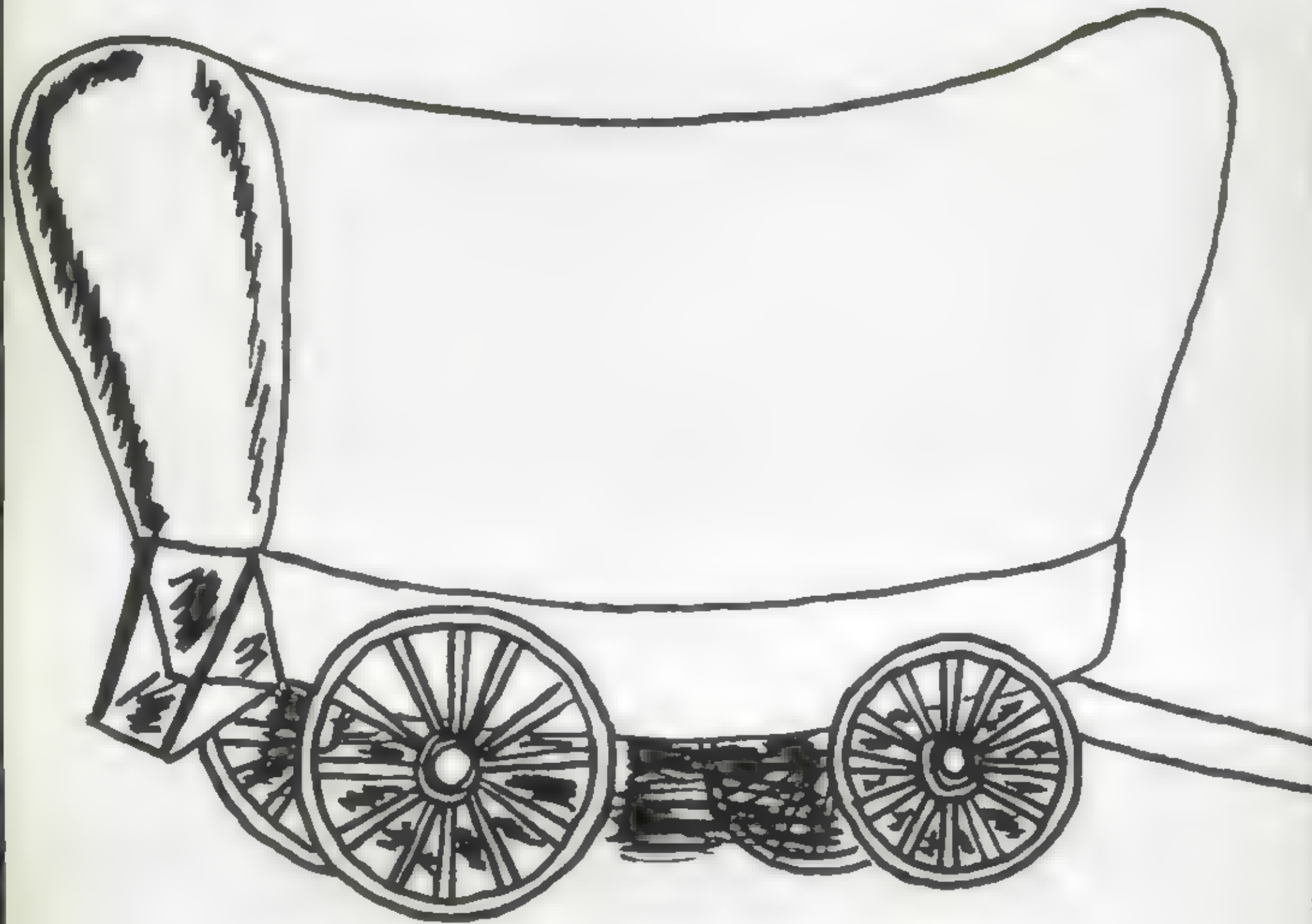


YEARBOOK EDITORS *first row:* T. McNamee, R. Lotti, A. Marcacci; *second row:* F. Giordano, D. DeNovellis, G. Walsh, J. Smartly, G. Colucci, J. Brennan, R. Sweeney

Editor-in-chief, Ronald Lotti, works hard after everyone else has gone home in order to have the yearbook finished on time



School Sports





MR. ROBERT PERUGINI
Class

DONALD M. HEALY
Liblete of the Year





This jump begins the Junior-Senior game



INTRAMURAL CHAMPS are: *l-r*: Coach Perucchi, J. Imbesi, B. Venturi, J. Bernardini, C. Ianuzzi, J. Hilferty

Intramurals

Here at St. Augustine Preparatory School we sincerely believe that the Catholic boy deserves an opportunity to further his physical as well as his academic education



The Freshmen employ an aerial attack against the Sophomores.



Watch out, Pete, it's a hot potato

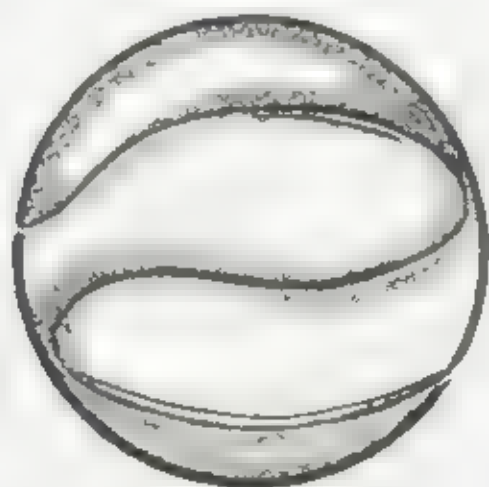


Members of the VARSITY SQUAD are, *top row*, *l-r* H. Gertzen, W. Gormley, R. Walsh; *second row*: R. D Augustine (22), G. Bruni, E. Perugini, J. C. Madsen, J. Oldfield, J. E. D. Healy, J. Neri, C. Madsen, Coach Perugini.



DONALD HEALY, guard

Varsity



Basketball



LAWRENCE NERI, forward



ROBERT D'AUGUSTINE
guard



If enthusiasm would win games, we would have had a perfect record



ROBERT WALSH
forward

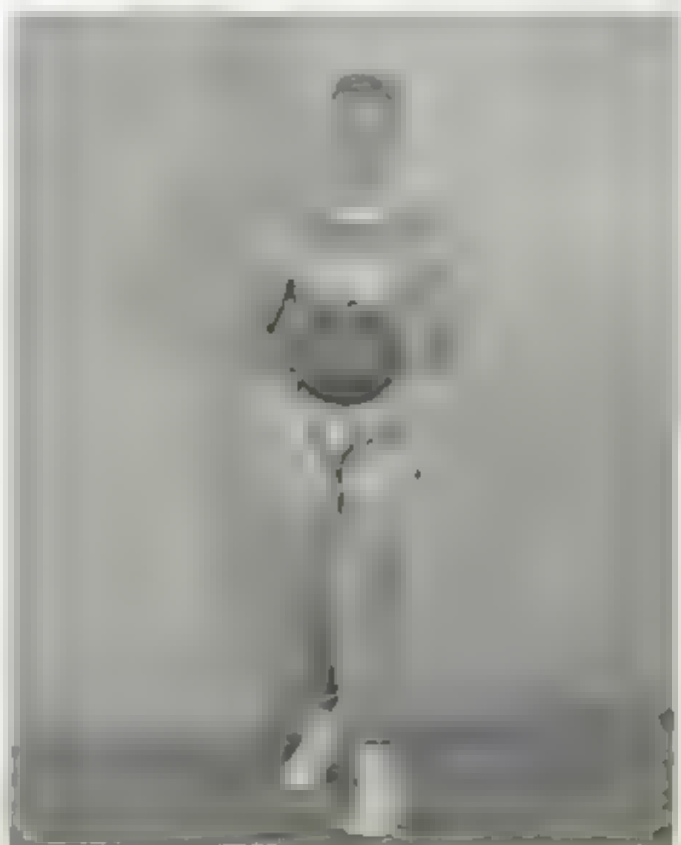
At the Prep are men
of sports and spirit.



EDWARD PERUGINI
center

The students at St. Augustine Prep are healthy, active, spirited boys. They need an outlet for their pent-up energies. Under Augustinian guidance, they are taught to handle the true spirit of competition as gentlemen. No softies—young men who play the game to its fullest within the rules. They learn to take defeat philosophically and victory with grace.

EDWIN OLDFIELD



The Junior Varsity



FRONT ROW: B. V. H. G. rtzen, E. Philips, J. Armato
 BACK ROW: D. C. M. P. W. Neiss, F. Pendola, K. McCann, Coach Perugini





More interested students at the Prep are taking the bowling seriously.

Bowling . . . the fastest growing Sport at the Prep.



The Vineland and School Champs are, *left to right*: J. Montardina, J. Caputo, R. DeFulgentis, Capt. R. Martinelli.

At Vineland



Is he going to make the spare?



J. Malley attempts to keep his ball on the alley for a change

... and the Shore



Shore Champs



The Recessional



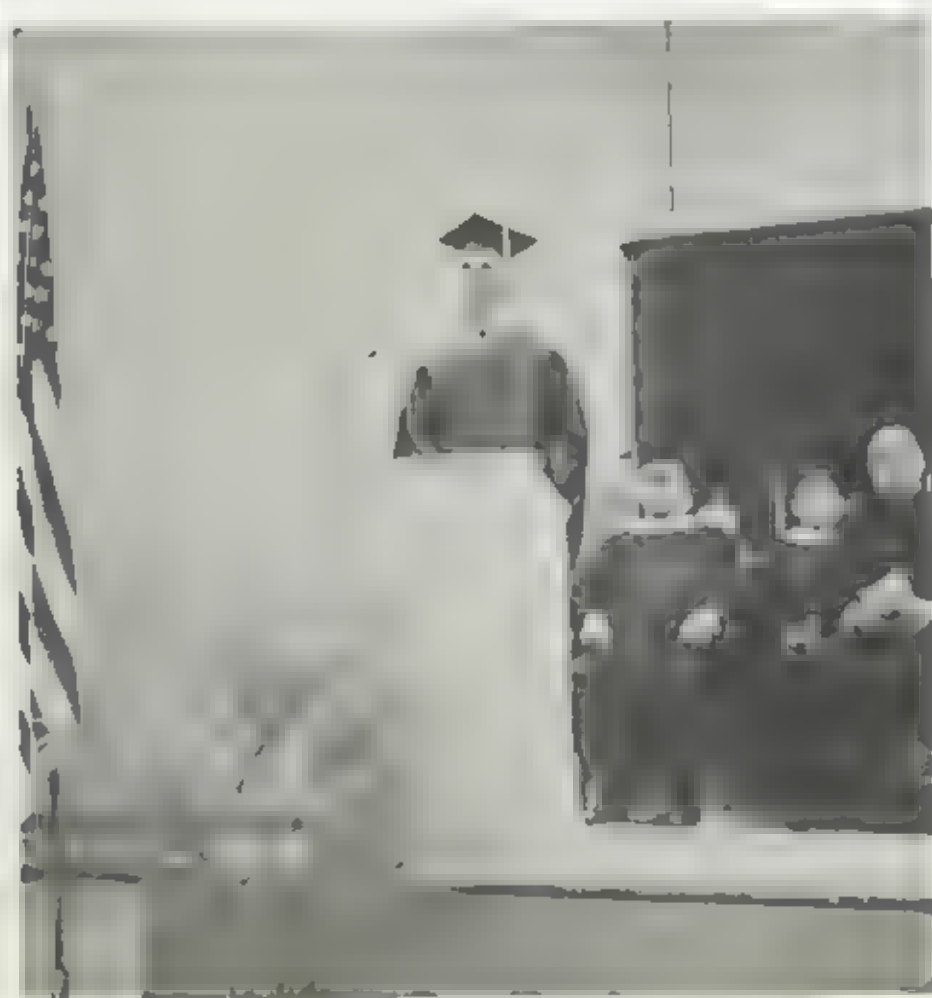
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Second Place Award D. DeNovellis
First Place Award D. Healy



G. Coacci, I. Grimaldi, L. Neri, R. Sweeney, J. Smartly, J. Arnold, J. Tronconi, R. Lotti, L. Cresci, A. Mirizzi, V. Giacalone, D. DeNovellis, T. McNamee, G. Walsh, D. Healy



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